(b) if so, the details thereof, *inter alia* indicating the States which have introduced this force;

(c) whether the Centre proposes to fund this force; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The States of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Goa, Kerala, Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi have deployed Tourist Police in one form or the other.

(c) and (d) 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects and Ministry of Tourism does not finance this force.

Scheme for low budget tourists

†82. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether for the development of camp sites, Government is running any scheme specially for low budget domestic tourists;

(b) if so, the details thereof and pattern of the funding of this schemes: and

(c) the amount allocated/released to Delhi and other States under above scheme during last and the current Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Release of funds for Southern Splendour Luxury Train Project

83. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received a proposal for releasing funds for Southern Splendour Luxury Train Project from Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government on the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The project for Southern Splendour Luxury Train submitted by the Andhra Pradesh Government with a project cost of Rs. 40.00 crore has been approved in principle under the Large Revenue Generating Scheme.

However, the Government of Andhra Pradesh have not yet finalized the tie up with the Indian Railways.

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